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## REJECTS PLAN TO UNITE WITH MANCHESTER

Board of Aldermen Defeats All Hope of Consolidation at This Time.

CAN'T PROVIDE FOR PRESENT CITY AREA

Weather Bureau Ordinance Sent Back to Committee, with Chance That Government Will Go Elsewhere. Must Keep Police Court Clean.

Taking the broad ground that the city of Richmond already has more unimproved territory than it can properly care for, the Board of Aldermen last night refused to concur in a resolution declaring the consolidation of Richmond and Manchester to be advisable, and appointing a committee to confer as to the terms of union. This action, taken by a vote of 6 to 12, practically disposes of the question of any further extension of city limits for an indefinite period, or at least until reasonable city improvements can be made in the present area. de in the present area.

Before taking this action the Board recommitted to the Committee on Grounds and Buildings the question of a site for the United States Weather Bureau, meaning further delay in the settlement of this vexed question and the possible loss to the city of the government observatory. The ordinance was recommitted to save it from utter loss, the chair ruling that it would require sixteen votes, or three-fourths, there being but eighteen members present.

in the Weather Bureau question came in the presence of a large audience of property owners and representatives if all of the business and commercial organizations of the city, vigorous lobying continuing through the prelimitaries of the meeting.

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Minority Present Substitute.

Alderman Gunst, from the Committee in Grounds and Buildings, presented a innority report as a substitute, offering in lieu of the site recommended the majority that selected by Chief orc. This paper was signed by Mirinst, Aldermen Buford and Burton, d Councilmen Tucker and Don Leavy Mr. Richardson special control of the control of the

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### OFFICES OPENED

Dawe Talks of Work Proposed by South-

committee of co-operation is now practically complete and includes the following;
Oscar S. Straus, Secretary of Commerce and Labor; Luko E. Wright, Secretary of War; W. W. Finley, president of the Southern Railway; Gifford Pinchot, chief foresfer; Charles H. Treat, Treasurer of the United States. Discussing the plans/of the congress to-day, Mr. Dawe said:
"The work that will be undertaken by the congress will be an elastic effort, and as many lines of sadeavor will be set in motion as the funds will permit. There are two or three things that it will not do. It will not duplicate a single line of effort at present being carried out by the great departments of the government. It will supplement their work, since no department can properly spend any effort in the endeavor to develop any one section.

Necds Million Dollars.

### LIKE DONNYBROOK FAIR

Statements Have No Foundation in Fact."

HE SEEKS TO SOOTHE FEELINGS OF OBALDIA

Explanation Made to President of Panama That Congressmen Can Say What They Please Without Making Government Responsible-Incident Is Without Precedent.

WASHINGTON, D. C., February 9.
—The United States government disayows all responsibility for the remarks made by Representative Rainey, of Illinois, in the House about two weeks ago, criticizing President Obaldia, of Panama, according to a letter sent to-day by Secretary of State Bacon to C. C. Arosemena, minister from Panama, in reply to a protest by the latter made by direction of the minister's government.

At the same time the secretary points out that the views of individual members are not to be taken as expressing the views of the government, and declares that none of the statements made by Mr. Rainey "concerning which he (the President) has knowledge has any foundation in fact."

Mr. Bacon's letter is as follows:
"February 9, 1909, that the remarks complained of were made in the House of February 9, 1909, that the remarks complained of were made in the House of Representatives. Under our Constitution we have, for what we regard as wise reasons, provided that for any speech or debate in either house, they (the Senators and Ropresentatives) shall not be questioned in any other place.

"This provision we regard as essential to secure full lilerty of speech to

## ONE MAN STILL LACKING

Gunst, Aldermen Buford and Burton, and Councilmen Tucker and Don Leavy. Mr. Richardson spoke vigorously in opposition to either resolution, declaring that the people of Marshall Ward were opposed to having the bureau in the park at all, and that the placing of such buildings in parks was establishing a bad precedent.

"It would be unfortunate," said Mr. Richardson, "to lose the bureau to Richmond, but it would be more unfortunate to have it as a blot on the prettiest park in the city."

Mr. Gunst replied with some heat that when the Gamble's Hill site was abandoned, six out of the eight representatives of Marshall Ward had joined in suggesting Chimborazo Park, and a Marshall Ward Councilman, Mr. Richardso, offered that substitute. "Monroe Ward was willing to let them have it," concluded Mr. Gunst amid laughter. Chalrman Whittet, of the Committee on Grounds and Buildings, apposed both reports, holding that the parks should be free from public buildings, and that the Moore site, at the entrance, was the most objectionable that could be solected.

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Roosevelt Declares That "His Governor Gillett Confers With Senator Lodge Is Handed Three Legislators on Anti-Japanese Bill.

> A DESPERATE STAND TO BE TAKEN TO-DAY

Author of Measure May Agree to Heated Verbal Battle Takes Postponement If Other Agitators Will Indorse Program. Anti-Alien Bills Are Defeated in Oregon and Nevada.

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Government Not Responsible.

"It ought to be understood that the utterances of individual members are not to be taken as expressing the views either of the government of the United States or of the house in which such remerks are made As regards the statements in question, made by Representative Rainey, the Precident attached so little importance to them that he had not even read them until your protest came.

"He has now read them, and none of the president wishes me to recall to your attention that the attack was made even more upon Americans, including the President-elect, than upon the officials of Panama. The President need hardly say that this government disavews all responsibility for the remarks of Representative Rainey, to which you refer.

"Accept, sir, the renewed assurance of my high consideration.

"ROBERT BACON."

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Some Unvarnished Language by Senator Smith.

TILLMAN WAS ANXIOUS TO SEE THEM "CLINCH

Place in Discussion of Canadian Treaty-Alleged That Convention Was Drawn by Attorney Who Is "Close to Commercial Interests."

WASHINGTON, D. C., February 9.
The Canadian boundary waterways treaty had anything but
smooth sailing when it was taken up
in executive session of the Senate to-

GET WARM WELCOME

King and Queen Are Warmly Received by Emperor William.

BERLIN, February 9.—King Edward and Queen Alexandra received a hearty welcome from the Emperor and the German people on their arrival to-day. During the course of the gaia banquet in the imperial palace this evening the Emperor, speaking in German, extended a most cordial welcome to the British sovereigns, and referred to the ancient traditions and the closest of relationships. He hoped that their stay, which unfortunately would be brief, would leave only pleasant recollections.

"Your Majestey may be assured with me," said the Emperor, 'that my capital and the whole German Empire Ase in your presence a token of friendly feelings and sentiments which induced Your Majestes to pay this visit. The German people greets the ruler of the mighty British Empire with the respect due him, and perceives in this visit a pledge of future peaceful and friendly development in the relations between our two countries."

To Strengthen Relations.

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"With regard to the aim and desired result of my visit, Your Majesty has given eloquent expression to my own feelings, and I can, therefore, only repeat that our coming is for the purpose not only of recalling before the world the close ties of relationship between our two houses, but also aims at strengthening the friendly relations between our countries, and thus at the preservation of a general peace, towards which all my efforts are directed."

insisted that he had not, the two Senators exchanged some sharp comments upon each other's understanding of a recent conversation. Mr. Smith declared that he would not "bandy epithets" with the Senator from Massachusetts, but that as long as he lived he would consider that Mr. Lodge had acted unfairly in the matter.

Turning directly to Mr. Lodge and declaiming in a way that amused his colleagues, Mr. Smith told the Massachusetts Senator that he did not like Massachusetts Senator that he did not like manner. Other members present enjoyed the debate hugely.

Hoped for a "Clinch."

Senator Tillman interrupted to remark that he hoped Massachusetts and Michigan would clinch, but that he supposed there were "too many centuries of cultive is the commany centuries of cultive is the comments upon the

# FIGHT WILL BE MADE THIS YEAR

That Is Practically Decided for Anti-Saloon League by

## FOR LOCAL OPTION

Political Line May Be Drawn in To-Day's Meeting in Republican Members' Attempt to Force State Campaign. Much Depends on Ward Law Decision.

[Special to The Times-Dispatch.]

ORFOLK, VA., February 9.—
State-wide prohibition died an easy and comfortable death tonight at the all-powerful hands of James E. Cannon, Jr., who simply took possession of the Anti-Saloon League meeting and molded it to suit

ent, and he is called James Cannon, Jr. After devotional exercises Mr. Cannon arose to answer the question which had been daily asked by anxious politicians for a month past—will State-wide prohibition he the campaign fisue?

Of course, Mr. Cannon did not speak as a politician or in the language of the tribe, but none the less he set out in no uncertain terms the fact that the Anti-Saloon League would hold to local option for another twelve months, and the Inference is that Judge Mann will not be more radical.

No Political Dictation.

He did not fail to pay his respects to Carter Glass, for, without calling Mr. Glass's name, he declared the league would not be dictated to by politicians who had but lately taken an interest in the work. The allusion was loudly applauded.

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temperance and the enemies of demon drink, Mr. Cannon asserted that every member of the last Legislature deserved the thanks of the league, winn the exception of Mr. Cox, of Richmond; Senator Folkes, of Richmond; Senator Folkes, of Richmond; Senators who had voted against the Mann-Byrd law.

Mr. Cannon reported for the legislative committee, and at the conclusion of his address had the report laid on the table, to be passed upon to-morrow.

Address Well Received.

Judge Mann's address was well received. He made no mention of his gubernatorial ambition, but told of the work he had done against the liquor traffic and the slings and arrows of outrageous fortune that had been hurled at his gray hairs on account of his zealous energy.

Rev. J. T. Hundley, pastor of the First Church of Christ's Disciples, conducted the devotional services, over which Dr. W. C. Taylor, of Petersburg, presided. A Sidney Smith, in a welcome address on behalf of the church and local league, referred to the excellent outlook for the destruction of the liquor traffic.

Rev. Dr. Booker, pastor of Epworth